



The Bolham Bullet

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Good afternoon and welcome to the Bullet.

Thank you to our Governors who attended a Trust-wide Governance event this week. As a school leader, I really appreciate the time that Governors give so freely to come into school, volunteer and quality assure what we are doing across the curriculum. Here are the list of our Governing body:

Lynne Guest (Chair), Ali Martin (Vice Chair), Becca Radford, Katie Davis, Kathy Welden and Esther Burd.

You will have read separate communication regarding our exciting art project being held jointly with Knightshayes. Class 2, 3 and 4 will visit Knightshayes next week for inspiration. Thank you to parents who have volunteered to help. Please can we ensure that all children wear smart school uniform as there will also be members of the public on site.

Year 3 head off to Farmwise at Westpoint next Tuesday - it is always an action-packed day with many hands-on experiences. Children will return for normal home time arrangements.

Gardening Club: On 13th October, our gardeners have been invited to complete a 'Bio Blitz' at the new community garden in the village. We will complete this during normal club hours and all usual arrangements remain.

Attendance: In order for us to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our children, it is essential that you phone the school to notify us of any absence, including illness. We understand that there may be times when your child is too poorly to attend school. However, we ask that children return to school as soon as they are able to. If you are unsure about whether to send your child in, please refer to the NHS for further guidance. [Is my child too ill for school?](#) In order to request time off in advance, including for holidays, you will need to complete an S2 form which is available from the school office or can be downloaded from the website. We try to discourage holidays being taken during term times. Once children become statutory school age, time off is only authorised in very exceptional circumstances and we adhere to strict criteria from the local authority regarding this.

- A child can miss up to 6 days of school over the year through illness and still have attendance of almost 97%.
- 90% attendance is equivalent to missing a day of school each fortnight.

Thank you for reading the Bullet and have a lovely weekend,

Sarah Milne
Headteacher

DIARY DATES

- 30/9 - Class 3
Information Evening
- 5/10 - Blundell's Trip
(Class 4)
- 7/10 - Class 3 Trip to
Knightshayes
- 8/10 - Class 4 Trip to
Knightshayes
- 9/10 - Class 2 Trip to
Knightshayes
- 13/10 - Reception Vision
Screening Check
- 19/10 - Parents Evening
- 21/10 - Parents Evening
- 22/10 - Apple Day
- 23/10 - Non-Pupil Day
- 26/10 - 30/10 - Half
Term
- 11/11 - Nasal Flu
Vaccinations
- 16/11 - Year 4 Trip to
Dulverton Literary
Festival
- 17/11 - Tempest School
Photos
- 17/12 - Nativity
- 18/12 - End of Term
- 4/1 - Non-Pupil Day
- 5/1 - Start of Spring
Term
- 29/1 - Young Voices 27
- 15/2 - 19/2 - Half Term
- 25/3 - End of Term
- 26/3-9/4 - Easter
Holidays
- 12/4 - Start of Summer
Term
- 31/5 - 4/6 - Half Term
- 22/7 - End of Term

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BUILDING LEARNING POWERS

CLASS 2

Bertie - For lovely writing, challenging yourself to write extra sentences.

Stefan - For your excellent reading, becoming more fluent and confident.

CLASS 3

Grace - You are always focussed on the task in hand and are respectful towards adults and your peers.

Jessica - You have worked hard this week and focussed well in both maths and literacy. Well done for always being ready to learn.

CLASS 4

Year 6 - For your fantastic effort in your mock SATs. You all worked incredibly hard in your mocks this week, making sure you were doing the papers to the best of your ability. Well done!

Eilidh - For modelling our class expectations. You are excellent at demonstrating our class expectations, making sure you are ready to learn and showing kindness to your classmates.

SPECIAL MENTIONS

CLASS 2

Special mention to Samuel for trying his best with everything in school.

CLASS 3

Special mention to Journey for a wonderful start of the week. You had great concentration and completed your learning.

CLASS 4

Special mention to Year 5 for how respectfully they worked in the hall while Year 6 did their mocks.

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PARENTS CONSULTATION MEETINGS

Parents consultation meetings are coming up on Monday 19th October and Wednesday 21st October from 3:40pm-6:40pm.

Appointments are bookable on Arbor and the bookings will open on Monday 5th October at 6pm and will stay open until Friday 16th October at 6pm.

If you need any assistance on using Arbor ahead of the bookings opening, please contact the school office.

For information; Class 3 bookings will show Mrs Middleton for all appointments, but Mrs Middleton will be attending the 19th October and Mrs Ridley Anderson will be attending the 21st October appointments.

SCHOOL OFFICE - TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER

Miss Green is attending a Paediatric First Aid Training course on Tuesday 6th October so please can we ask that any contact to the office on Tuesday is made via telephone not email. Please leave a voicemail if the telephone is not answered and a member of staff will pick up the message as soon as possible.

CURRENT VACANCIES WITHIN THE TRUST

Please click here to view current vacancies within the Trust:

[Harbour Schools Partnership Job Search](#)

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